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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Bross, D/DCI/NIPE

SUBJECT: Comments on Watch Committee
Activities by DIA

1. DIA with its widespread indications organization performs a rapid and efficient screening operation. The communications setup associated with this organization makes for very rapid dissemination of potential indications information to and within Washington.

2. The liaison within DIA between their Indications Center and their Intelligence Support organization (ISIC) perhaps could be further improved as the analytical judgments expressed at the Watch Committee table at times vary from those concurrently carried in their daily Intelligence Summary. This is not a serious matter.

3. DIA appears to have its greatest competence in analyzing activities of a military nature. The analytic capability of the organization is adversely affected, however, by the inherent nature of the organization--the steady rotation of military people causing breaks in continuity on complex problems.

4. DIA's general posture on a twenty-four hour basis in Watch matters is energetic, consistent, and discharged on the highest priority basis.



Chairman, Watch Committee

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cc: Mr. Kirkpatrick

DIA has no objection to declassification and release.

DIA review(s) completed.

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JOINT ATOMIC ENERGY INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for National
Intelligence Programs Evaluation

SUBJECT: Evaluation of the Defense Intelligence Agency

REFERENCES: a) DCI Action Memorandum A-437, dated
30 November 1964

b) DD/S&T 3143-64, dated 10 December 1964

1. With the formation of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the quality and quantity of intelligence in the atomic energy field produced within the services dropped perceptibly. Although production has recently shown some improvement, the JAEIC member still appears to be severely hampered by the organizational structure within DIA.

2. The nuclear energy effort within DIA is divided into several elements. There are approximately ten professionals in the Production Center and six in the Directorate for Science and Technology, of which two are assigned to JAEIC. Although the latter two are within S&T, they are organizationally and physically separated from the other two elements. This separation of effort and analyst files has hampered the DIA-JAEIC member in his in-depth analysis of JAEIC problems. Up to the present time, the DIA support to JAEIC can be summed up as cooperative (as opposed in any sense to being antagonistic) but minimal in actual quality and quantity.

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